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1. [REDACTED] an MGB office was located at the corner of Wassergasse\* and Palackygasse\* in Prague. The Drahnovsky variety show occupied the second floor of this building and an import and export firm was on the third floor.

2. The building had a heavy concrete basement in which the MGB office operated. It was said to be an MGB code room.

3. [REDACTED] only Soviets were active in that office. Admission was possible only on a password which was assigned by the Czech Ministry of the Interior. The office had Hollerith equipment and allegedly evaluated reports from agents in Western Europe, from where the reports were forwarded to Kiev. Directives for the agents also came from Kiev.

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4. Offices of the German Reich Security Department were allegedly stationed in that concrete basement during the war.\*\*

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- \*\* [REDACTED] Comment. The information is forwarded because it contains an address. A previous report indicated that a headquarters of the Soviet IS was in Kiev. [REDACTED] suggests a control station of the Soviet IS rather than a code room. The presence of Hollerith equipment is indicative of card files.

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- \* [REDACTED] Comments: Undoubtedly, these streets should read Vodičkova Ulice and Palackého Ulice.

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